

In the claims:

1. (Previously presented) A liquid-retaining wall comprising two consecutive vertically disposed prefabricated panels, assembly means for assembling together said panels, a low belt which supports the panels, and a high belt which is fitted to the panels, the assembly means holding together said panels while allowing one of the panels to move angularly relative to the other about a vertical axis, angle-determining means for ensuring that said panels are at a determined angular orientation relative to each other as a function of the outline of the wall to be made, and further including stiffening means for stiffening the panels once they have been assembled to one another, wherein said panels are planar and are equally suitable for including in a rectilinear or a curved portion of the outline of the wall, and wherein each angle-determining means comprises a part presenting two arms that form a determined angle relative to each other.

2. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 1, wherein all the said panels are identical.

3. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 1, including means for leveling the heights of said panels.

4. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 1, wherein the low and high belts of the system are rigidly connected to each other by a portion of the assembly means.

5. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 1, wherein the angle-determining means for shaping the angle between said panels are situated in the low belt, in the high belt, or in both the low belt and the high belt.

6. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 1, wherein the low belt which supports the panels is constituted by a plurality of section members, each section member extending over a length that is at least as long as the length of a panel supported thereby.

7. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 6, wherein each section member of the low belt is rectilinear and forms a substantially channel section gutter with a double wall extending along one of its longitudinal sides to define a slot in which the bottom portion of at least one panel is engaged.

8. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 7, wherein the angle-determining means are mounted in two adjacent gutters formed by two consecutive section members of the low belt.

9. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 7, wherein each section member of the low belt is stiffened by reinforcing means.

10. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 9, wherein the reinforcing means are constituted by concrete which is cast into the gutter formed by each of the section members of the low belt.

11. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 1, wherein the high belt which is fitted to the panels is constituted by a set of strips and by a set of section members fixed respectively to the strips, each strip and each section member extending over a length that is at least as long as the length of a panel on which they are fitted.

12. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 11, wherein each section member associated with a strip is fixed by being engaged in said section member.

13. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 12, wherein each section member forms a substantially channel section gutter, and wherein angle-determining means are mounted in two adjacent gutters formed by two consecutive section members of the high belt.

14. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 13, wherein each section member of the high belt is stiffened by reinforcing means.

15. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 14, wherein the reinforcing means are constituted by concrete which is cast into the gutter formed by each section member of the high belt.

16. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 1, wherein each panel mounted in a vertical position presents two vertical lateral edges, each lateral edge presenting over all or part of its height a folded flange, the two flanges of a panel being folded towards the same side of the panel, and wherein the assembly means between two consecutive panels comprise at least an internal, first section member mounted between the two adjacent flanges of said panels, and at least an external, second section member fitted over the two adjacent flanges of said panels and which penetrate into the insides of the low and high belts.

17. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 16, including leveling means for leveling the heights of two consecutive panels.

18. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 17, wherein the leveling means are constituted by a pin which is engaged in two holes pierced in the bottom portions of the flanges of the panels.

19. (Previously presented) A liquid retaining wall according to claim 1, wherein each panel is made from a metal sheet that is about 1.5 mm to 2 mm thick.

20. (Cancelled)

21. (Previously presented) A liquid-retaining wall according to claim 1 comprising a swimming pool wall.